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## Present Prison System Does Much to Increase Crime

By WILLIAM B. BUCK, Humanitarian, Superintendent of the Seybert Institute of Philadelphia

LACK OF SCIENTIFIC CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENDERS AGAINST THE LAW IS THE CAUSE OF THE INCREASE OF THE POPULATION OF THE UNDERWORLD.

The biggest failure in modern society is the dealing with the offenders against the law. The METHODS ARE NOT RIGHT, consequently crime is on the increase, filling the jails with criminals and NOT DAMMING THE FLOOD OF CRIME AT ALL.

What we need is scientific consideration of the offenders' case to determine whether they are MENTALLY IRRESPONSIBLE OR CRIMINALS before punishment is inflicted.

With the present system of judgment in criminal cases punishment is determined by the monetary value of the offense. More precision in the CLASSIFICATION OF THE TYPE OF offenders should be made.

If mental deficiencies were placed in institutions and TAUGHT VOCATIONS which would make them self supporting instead of being sent to reformatories they would not become criminals.

It is a very dangerous situation, but one that I know and for one thing I appeal to the heart and the head of every gentleman present in this chamber to-night—that in this trying situation there is but one duty for all of us, and that is to stand by the president of the United States—Joseph H. Choate on Mexico.

It begins to look as if Ansonia would have its new railroad station just as soon as New Haven, it not sooner. Just now the New Haven railroad is finding so much use for its money in securing the absolute essential that station-hungry cities will have to possess their souls in patience for a season.

### DIED.

**LANG**—In this city, Nov. 24th, 1913, George K. son of Carl and Gustie Lang, aged 8 years, 8 months, 21 days.

Friends are invited to attend the funeral at the residence of the parents, No. 211 Merriam street on Thursday, Nov. 27th at 2:30 p. m. Burial in Park cemetery.

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**MOSHANE**—In this city, Nov. 24, 1913, Mary, widow of Cornelius McShane, aged 84 years, 5 days.

Friends are invited to attend the funeral from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. E. W. Gatten, No. 173 Beesmont avenue, on Thursday, Nov. 27 at 2:30 p. m. and from St. Patrick's church at 9 a. m. with solemn high mass. Interment at St. Michael's cemetery.

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**KEATING**—In this city, Nov. 25, 1913, Patrick Keating.

Friends are invited to attend the funeral from his late residence No. 218 Gregory street, on Wednesday, Nov. 26, at 2:30 p. m. with solemn high mass Sacred Heart church at 9 a. m. Interment at St. Michael's cemetery.

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## STRANGE WOMAN STARTLES CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

Uses Phone To Tell Of Presence of Many Sleuths.

Four women detectives and fourteen men detectives are watching one saloon for selling on Sundays, after hours and for calling one particular man to trade at the bar, according to a woman who broke into the city clerk's office this morning. The woman said she was Mrs. George Smith and that she lived at 22 Park avenue.

She asked permission of City Clerk Robinson to use the telephone in his office. Mr. Robinson likes to accommodate everyone and as yet he is not acquainted with everyone who works in the city hall. He told the woman she might use the telephone and forthwith she proceeded to call up some other woman named Mrs. O'Neil. Then she began to tell the person she got on the wire what would happen if she did not stop selling to George Smith and stop selling Sundays.

The women who used the telephone claimed that eighteen detectives were watching that place in question, that the particular man whom she was guarding had been called from his home by telephone to visit the saloon in question and that if the practice did not stop, arrests and prosecutions would follow. "I thought she hung up the telephone and quit the city clerk's office, before the latter could get her real name or address.

There is no 223 Park avenue nor is there any such person as Mrs. Geo. Smith listed in the city directory.

There are several saloons and liquor licenses conducted under the name of O'Neil in Bridgeport but as far as could be ascertained by The Farmer reporter the woman did not call any of the O'Neils who are known as legitimate saloon keepers.

The woman was of medium stature, rather good looking and wore a blue suit with hat to match. People who have business at the city hall and who saw her, decided she was one of the many cranks who tried in every way of the week to make the work of the city officials more difficult.

## FIERCE BATTLE RAGING TODAY ABOUT JAUREZ

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duced to the international bridge in Paris. Those Americans who were dilatory about leaving Jaurez were placed under arrest and forcibly ejected. No reports were made here to indicate they had been subjected to any indignity other than this, which was deemed advisable.

Newspaper correspondents were not permitted in Jaurez until midnight and those who accompanied the military about leaving Jaurez were placed under arrest and forcibly ejected. No reports were made here to indicate they had been subjected to any indignity other than this, which was deemed advisable.

Shortly after the heat of the battle had passed there came a report that Chihuahua City had fallen to the rebels, it having been almost deserted by federal troops sent to reinforce the government troops at Samalayuca. This report is yet unverified.

## "QUIET AT TUXPAN"

Washington, Nov. 25—"All quiet at Tuxpan" was the message by wireless early today from Rear Admiral Fletcher on the battleship Rhode Island, stationed with John Lind for the most important oil port on the Mexican gulf coast. The battleship New Hampshire already is at Tuxpan.

## NEARLY MILLION AND HALF PAID TAX

Hartford, Nov. 25.—State Treasurer E. S. Roberts received today from the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad company its check for \$1,498,238.90 in payment for taxes. It is smaller by \$112,649.65 than the amount paid by the company to the state last year. The difference is due to the lower market price of its stock.

## WANTS \$10,000 FOR DEATH OF MAN HURT WHILE LEAVING CAR

The trial of the action of Edward Naylor, administrator on the estate of Frederick B. Tuttle against William A. Haviland of Windsor was begun this afternoon before Judge Bennett in the superior court. The administrator wants \$10,000 damages for the death of Tuttle, who was struck by Haviland's automobile after alighting from a trolley car at State street and Colorado avenue, October 14, 1911.

Tuttle was knocked down and rendered unconscious. He died May 1, 1912 and it was claimed that his death was due to injuries received in the accident. Haviland was accused of negligence. He denied this charge. However, the trial was still on at press hour.

## OBITUARY

Funeral services for Albert F. Goodale, who died at his home on Maplewood avenue Sunday last, were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Rev. Fr. Kennedy reading the committal service. Interment was in St. Michael's cemetery.

Funeral services for Ida F. Cronk, widow of Peter Cronk, who died on Saturday last, were held at 1 o'clock this afternoon from the home of her son, Charles A. Cronk, Bronx avenue. Interment was in Union cemetery, Norwalk.

Funeral services for August Eberlein, who died on Friday last, were held from his late residence, 200 Holly street, yesterday afternoon. Rev. Albert Opitz, pastor of the First German M. E. church, officiating. Many sorrowing friends and relatives attended and handsome floral pieces decked the grave. Acting as pall bearers were C. J. Johnson, Adam Schwenck, Henry Hollman, William Barker. Interment was at Lakeview cemetery.

## REPORTS THEFT FROM HOME.

Mrs. John Downing of 1563 Main street has asked the police to find \$5 that she reports as having disappeared from a table at her home this morning.

## "SNUB" CURRENCY BILL DEFENDED BY HITCHCOCK

Washington, Nov. 25.—The struggle in the open Senate over the administration's second great legislative measure, the currency bill, which was opened yesterday with a short statement by Senator Owen, the administration was continued today when Senator Hitchcock, also a Democrat, took up the defense of the substitute bill agreed upon by the opposition faction in the Senate banking committee.

The forces led by Senator Hitchcock include all of the Republican members of the Senate banking committee. Many Democrats are favorable to those features of the Hitchcock bill which include public ownership of the stock of the regional banks and a small number of those institutions.

## MISSING NEW YORKER LOCATED ON COAST

San Francisco, Nov. 25.—Charles B. Stover, paid commissioner for New York, who has been missing for more than five weeks, registered here today at the St. Francis Hotel in company with James H. Francis of Chicago. He was recognized by a friend who verified his signature at the desk but did not speak to him.

Francis and Stover both left the hotel before any inquiries could be addressed to them by person.

## MAN RUN DOWN BY TROLLEY CAR DIES

New Haven, Nov. 25.—The man who was run over by a trolley car in Derby yesterday night died of his injuries today at a local hospital. He was positively identified as Robert Ford of East Haven, a plumber, 58 years old. The coroner has begun an investigation.

## BURGLARS REVISIT AMOROUS RESIDENCE

A suspicion that an attempt was made to again burglarize the home of Clinton B. Amoroso at 438 Norman street several nights ago is being investigated by the police. Mrs. Amoroso reporting that footprints were distinctly heard on the stoop and that she had the feeling that some one was looking through the windows. When she reached a place where she could see the stoop, no one could be seen. It was but a few days ago that the house was burglarized during the absence of the family and a rich haul made.

## WILL HEAR CHARGES OF OIL MONOPOLY

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 25.—A temporary restraining order issued in the federal court here yesterday will result in a hearing of the charges made by J. R. Sharp, a stockholder in the Producers Oil Company, a Texas corporation, that certain interests are seeking in evasion of the law to monopolize the oil business in Texas. The order enjoins the Industrial Securities Company, a Maine corporation, from voting 29,942 shares of stock of the Producers Company, alleged to be held by it for the benefit of the Texas company's stockholders, meeting to be held at Houston on Wednesday.

## SAFEGUARDS PUBLIC

Hartford, Nov. 25.—The public utilities commission today approved a petition of the Central Vermont Railway for the elimination of a grade crossing at Englefield in Mansfield, the order of which is to be borne by the company.

If the machinery of government in Washington to-day ever comes to a standstill it is likely to reach a dead stop during the coming week. With the wedding at the White House and the observance of the national holiday on Thursday, it is safe to predict that the week will be a quiet one in official circles so far as the transaction of important affairs is concerned.

The first Christmas under the parcel post system will put a strain on that and money will test its capacities to the utmost. It is an easy guess that if the millions of extra packages are withheld from mailing till the last few days before the great gift-giving holiday, a large proportion of them will not and cannot show up at their destinations until Christmas is passed. The one way to head off that undesirable happening is to ship early and in small parcels, meaning at least a week in advance.

Most young men who have inherited large fortunes devote considerable time and money to sowing wild oats, but William Vincent Astor—the William is silent—although the possessor of a hundred million dollars or so, apparently prefers the tame variety of oats. He has commenced the agricultural regeneration of Dutchess county, the seat of his ancestral estate, by introducing among his neighbors a new and improved variety of oats.

Astor's engagement is announced. He is the son and heir of the late John Jacob Astor, who was lost on the Titanic. The young multi-millionaire is the greatest matrimonial catch in America.

President Wilson's avowed intention of omitting the customary New Year's reception is accompanied by explanations which will probably prove acceptable, except to those who note more on social functions than on a clear-headed transaction of the nation's business. President Wilson takes to himself neither praise nor blame for the tediously long session of congress, but acknowledges it has been wearing and that in order to prepare for more wear of the same sort, he must rest.

Doubtless it would be a pleasure to thousands of people to shake his hand and wish him well during the new year, but he has properly put business first—without providing vacations for overworked congressmen and senators. The custom which President Wilson dares to tip over is an ancient one, which the country can do without.

Chicago, Nov. 25.—Fourteen hundred women will be election officials at the election of aldermen next spring.

Hartsville, Okla., Nov. 25.—George W. Zinn, of Pittsburgh, Pa., committed suicide by hanging.

### Penalties of Genius.

Genius and ill health, it would seem, often go hand in hand. At any rate, many of the greatest deeds that the world has seen performed have been accomplished by men physically infirm.

Darwin suffered so acutely from nervous exhaustion that he could only work for two hours a day at the most. Thackeray was frequently ill; Johnson nearly always in poor health; Dickens at the age of fifty-five was an old man, with shattered nerves; while Sir Walter Scott, a subject of spasms, was a chronic invalid during the later years of his life and died at the age of fifty-nine.

Milton, William Morris and Charles Keane, the actor, all were slaves to gout, and Milton was further handicapped by being blind. The poet Keats died of consumption when still quite young. Elizabeth Barrett Browning was an invalid for the greater part of her life.

Insanity claimed Dean Swift, while Rousseau and Cowper were insane during periods of their lives.

### Looking Ahead.

A handsome young woman entered the office of a prominent lawyer. Immediately the legal one rose to greet her.

"I am glad to tell you, Miss Smith," he pleasantly remarked, "that your breach of promise suit has been settled. The defendant has expressed a desire to compromise the case by marrying you."

"I am very glad to hear that," was the smiling response of Miss Smith. "It is much better than taking a chance on losing the verdict. You have managed the case very well. How much do I owe you?"

"Let me see," thoughtfully mused the lawyer. "Shall we say \$100?"

"We shall not," was the emphatic rejoinder of the fair plaintiff. "It is entirely too much."

"Well, then, I will tell you what I will do, Miss Smith," responded the lawyer. "I will just cut that bill in half if you will promise to retain me as your counsel when you sue me for a divorce."—Philadelphia Ledger.

### First Actress in London.

It was a warm reception that was given to the first French players to appear in London in 1820. Their visit was an utter failure. It was notable, however, for the important innovation which was the chief cause of their unpopularity.

The English troupe introduced accents for the first time on the English stage—"thereby giving just offence to all virtuous and well-disposed persons in this town," wrote Thomas Brande, reflecting the spirit of the playgoer of that time, who was used to seeing boys take the female characters.

These "French women, or monsters rather," were "hissed, hooted and pipped pelted from the stage." The first move against this prejudice was not long delayed, however. Five years later another French company came to London with women players, under royal patronage, and were received "with good approbation" at the Cockpit in Whitehall.—London Graphic.

### Roaring Wags.

The Red Lion club was composed of great Englishmen, and Huxley was one of the members. The club used to meet during the season of the British association. To a certain meeting at Ipswich, England, which Huxley described in his "Letters," some foreigners were invited, the Prince of Camille, Bonaparte's nephew, among them, and greatly astonished they were at the exceedingly human behavior of the learned professors. The Red Lion men had a custom of roaring instead of cheering and of wagging one coat-tail after the other when applauding. The prince was much impressed by these proceedings, and when he stood up to respond to the toast of his health instead of making a speech he gave three mighty roars and three wags.

### Brevity in Legislation.

Old time Scotchmen realized that brevity is the soul of legislation. For instance, King James I's parliament passed an act which said simply: "No man shall enter any place where there is lay with a candle unless it be in a lantern." This is probably the shortest statute ever passed. In fact, one small volume is enough to hold more than two centuries of Scotch legislation.

### Diet For Elderly Persons.

An English scientist in his book on "Diet in Relation to Age and Activity" urges less meat, little or no milk and no highly concentrated foods for men and women past fifty. He pleads with wives not to urge elderly husbands to eat more than their natural appetites demand.

### One View of Music.

And music, whatever people say, is not a universal language. The bew of words is necessary to send the arrow of sound into the hearts of men.—Roman Rolland.

### A Sociologist.

A sociologist is a guy who advises a man who is keeping nine children on \$10 a week that immodest and champagne are unhealthy luxuries.—Cincinnati Inquirer.

### An Admission.

Teacher—What is a vacuum? Boy—I know, teacher. I have it in my head, but I can't just think of it.—Brooklyn Life.

No man can produce great things who is not thoroughly sincere in dealing with himself.

### Lesson of the Bee.

"What does the busy bee teach us, Freddie?" "Not to go too near the hive, uncle."—London Tatler.

### Telling a Story.

When a man starts to tell a story he proceeds by the most direct route, but a woman backs into it.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Intaking and outgiving—getting good and giving good—that is our main business.—C. G. Ames.

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